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SUBJECT: MFA U/S AL-JARALLAH ON TIP

Classified By: Charge d'Affaires, Alan G. Misenheimer, for reasons 1.4
(b) and (d)

¶1. (C) On March 4, CDA briefed MFA U/S Khaled Al-Jarallah on the upcoming TIP report and expressed concern about the lack of recent concrete progress on the part of the GOK. CDA listed the commitments made by the GOK last fall and cited positive steps taken by some of Kuwait's Gulf neighbors in combating TIP. CDA also told him that post submitted a list of questions to the MFA regarding statistics and data but to date, has not received a response. Jarallah offered full cooperation on this issue and said that he would do his best to urge the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor and the Ministry of Interior to do their parts as well. He noted that the GOK should consult with their counterparts in neighboring countries to learn from their TIP experiences. Discussions on Lebanon/Syria, recognition of Kosovo and Iraq reported septel.

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